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Title: METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR EVALUATING RHEUMATOID
ARTHRITIS

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Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
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- Preliminary amendment, 4 pages.
- Small entity statement. This application is entitled to small entity status.

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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/387,467, filed September 1, 1999. In addition this application claims priority to U.S. Provisional application serial no. 60/098,718, filed September 1, 1998. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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